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Mr. Charles L. A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina P.O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

Docket No. 2005-329-W/S - Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc. for approval of a contract with Ashworth Development Company and Hitchens Development Company d/b/a Heron Cove Joint Venture

Dear Mr. Terreni,

Please allow this letter to serve as notification that the Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) does not oppose the application of Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("CWS") for the approval of a contract with Ashworth Development Company and Hitchens Development Company d/b/a Heron Cove Joint Venture in York County, South Carolina.

The ORS Staff conducted a site visit of the proposed development on November 3, 2005 and found that construction on this site has already been initiated by the contractors. The location of the development is within the existing service area of CWS. Under the terms of the contract, the Developers are required to construct and install all of the necessary water and sewer facilities required to connect this development's proposed sixty-six residential units to CWS' existing River Hills system. Capacity is not an issue in this matter.

The contract in this case calls for the conveyance of all easements, water facilities, and certain sewer facilities by the Developer to CWS. There are approximately fifteen lots in this development which will require the installation of residential sewer pump facilities. These facilities will not be conveyed to CWS but will remain the property and responsibility of the individual residential lot owners.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact myself and Mr. Hoefer at your convenience.

Yours Truly,

John M.S. Hoefer, Esquire

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